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SUBJECT: VICE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO PHILIPPINES

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1. IN MEETING WITH CHIEF OF PROTOCOL GONZALES APRIL 19,
CHARGE CONFIRMED MAY 2-4 DATES OF VICE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT,
MENTIONED IMPENDING WASHINGTON ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISIT,
CONVEYED VICE PRESIDENT AND MRS. MONDALE'S ACCEPTANCE
OF GOP OFFICIAL INVITATION (WITH THE CAVEAT ABOUT
STAYING IN HOTEL) AND NOTED VICE PRESIDENT'S PLANS TO
PARTICIPATE IN CORREGIDOR CEREMONIES MORNING OF MAY 4.

2. GONZALES OFFERED FOLLOWING COMMENTS:

- A. GOP WAS PLANNING FULL MILITARY HONORS AT AIRPORT
ARRIVAL. THUS HE HOPED THAT MAY 2 ARRIVAL COULD BE
DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS--THAT IS, NO LATER THAN
1700-1730. IF ARRIVAL IS AFTER 1800, ONLY PLANESIDE
HONORS COULD BE PROVIDED.

- B. GOP WOULD PREFER ARRIVAL STATEMENT (OF ABOUT
FIVE MINUTES IN LENGTH) BY VICE PRESIDENT AS PART OF
WELCOMING CEREMONIES, ALTHOUGH NOT NECESSARILY
CUSTOMARY. IF VICE PRESIDENT ARRIVES AFTER 1800
HOWEVER, NO ARRIVAL STATEMENT WOULD BE ENVISAGED.

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- C. IN ANY EVENT PRESIDENT AND MRS. MARCOS PLAN TO
BE AT AIRPORT TO GREET PARTY.

- D. GOP HAD BEEN TENTATIVELY PLANNING TO HOLD
CORREGIDOR CEREMONIES ON MAY 3; HOWEVER, GONZALES AGREED
TO MOVE CEREMONIES TO MAY 4 TO ACCOMMODATE US.

(STATE 99952 WAS MOST TIMELY.) CORREGIDOR PROGRAM WILL TAKE APPROXIMATELY ONE AND ONE-HALF HOURS, PLUS ONE HOUR HELO ROUND-TRIP. PRESIDENT MARCOS AND VICE PRESIDENT ARE SCHEDULED TO LAY WREATHS AND EACH TO MAKE 10-15 MINUTE SPEECH AT CORREGIDOR. JAPANESE AMBASSADCR WILL LAY WREATH BUT WILL NOT SPEAK.

- E. GOP DOES NOT ENVISAGE PRESS CONFERENCE AT DEPARTURE IN VIEW LIMITED FACILITIES AT AIRPORT AND SINCE VICE PRESIDENT WILL BE MEETING WITH PRESS PREVIOUS DAY. IF VICE PRESIDENT DESIRES, A DEPARTURE STATEMENT HANDOUT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE.

- F. GOP REQUESTS LISTS OF MEMBERS OF OFFICIAL AND UN-OFFICIAL PARTY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, INDICATION OF THOSE TO BE INCLUDED IN STATE DINNER AND DESIGNATION OF THOSE ACCOMPANYING VICE PRESIDENT IN MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT.

3. AFTER DISCUSSION, GONZALES PROPOSED FOLLOWING TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR VICE PRESIDENTIAL CONSIDERATION:

- A. MAY 2
- --PM ARRIVAL, PREFERABLY NO LATER THAN 1700-1730.
- (NOTE: ARRIVAL CEREMONIES WILL TAKE
- APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES).

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- --VISIT AMERICAN CEMETERY ENROUTE FROM AIRPORT
- TO HOTEL. (NOTE: CEMETERY SHOULD BE SEEN IN
- DAYLIGHT. VISIT OF ABOUT 20 MINUTES IS ANTI-
- CIPATED. FROM LOGISTICAL POINT OF VIEW,
- CEMETERY VISIT ENROUTE FROM AIRPORT IS MOST
- CONVENIENT. HOWEVER SHOULD LATE ARRIVAL PRE-
- CLUDE VISIT ON 2ND, WE COULD SEEK SCHEDULE
- VISIT EARLY MORNING OR LATE AFTERNOON ON 3RD).

- --EVENING: REST AND FREE TIME.

- B. MAY 3

- --0815 - LAY WREATH AT RIZAL MONUMENT.
- --0900 - CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT MARCOS AT
- MALACANANG.
- --1200 - LUNCH--OPEN
- --1500 - RESUME CONFERENCE AT MALACANANG; SIGN AID
- AGREEMENTS, FOLLOWING WHICH PRESIDENT AND VICE
- PRESIDENT WOULD MEET WITH THE PRESS.

- --2000 - DINNER HOSTED BY PRESIDENT AT MALACANANG.
- C. MAY 4

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- --0815 - VISIT ADB; CALL ON PRESIDENT YOSHIDA
- (NOTE: MAXIMUM 30-MINUTE VISIT PLANNED)
- --0900 - HELO TO CORREGIDOR.
- --0930 - CORREGIDOR CEREMONIES (90 MINUTES).
- --1100 . HELO TO AIRPORT.
- --1130 - AIRPORT DEPARTURE CEREMONIES.
- --1200 - WHEELS UP.

4. CHARGE DID NOT DISCUSS WITH GONZALES POSSIBLE MEETINGS WITH CHUPCH/OPPOSITION FIGURES. WE SHARE VIEW THAT SUCH MEETINGS SHOULD BE SCHEDULED. ONE MOST APPROPRIATE OCCASION WOULD BE 0700 BREAKFAST AT HOTEL MAY 4 PRIOR TO CALL AT ADB; ANOTHER MIGHT BE LATE AFTERNOON MAY 3 AFTER MALACANANG TALKS AND PRIOR STATE DINNER (SEPTEL).
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